GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA

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WITHDRAWAL OF COMMEMORATIVE STAMP
Singh Shri Sugrib

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Department of Posts has withdrawn a commemorative stamp released on the occasion of 400 years of Guru Granth Sahib;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government has also discussed the issue with the SGPC before considering release of the stamp;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) No, Sir. There is a proposal to issue a commemorative stamp to honour 400 years of installation of the Guru Granth Sahib, which is still to be released.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(c) to (e) The SGPC is one of the proponents of the stamp and is aware of the proposed release.